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EDITORIAL COMMENT

TO THE READER:

"The University Student" Staff wishes to express its regret that this edition is two weeks late in coming from the press. It is due, however, to the lateness of the students in paying their subscriptions and the delinquency in submitting contributions to the proper sources.

At times I wonder if our students really appreciate their publication and the sacrifices the members of the staff are making that it might compare favorably with other student publications. Do you appreciate its extensive circulation which is of intrinsic value to both you and the University? "The University Student" is circulated in the 48 States and six foreign countries. Are you aware of our large exchange? Visit the Y. M. C. A. room and read them. There you will find the McGill Daily, and publications from Scotland, Sorbonne University and the leading colleges and high schools of America. If you appreciate these accomplishments and our efforts, send us your subscription. If you have criticism to offer, send it in with your names signed (as we will not publish anonymous letters) and we will publish it.

You will notice also that there has been appointed a new staff, the Reportorial Staff. This was done in order to eliminate so much work on the part of the Editorial Staff and at the same time to acquaint a few men with the work and business of editing our paper. The men chosen are all meritorious and capable.

We have also been fortunate in securing the aid of a true blooded alumnus who has consented to write the Alumni News. We hope that the addition of this column will create an interest from our Alumni and that they, too, will show it by mailing their subscriptions, as we have the Missourian trait of certainty, or a gusto for being shown.

All matter for publication must be in the hands of the editors by the 5th of each month.

All clubs, societies, fraternities, etc., are requested to elect their reporters from among the subscribers as it may be rejected otherwise.

Any Alumnus who may have news of interest concerning himself or an Alumnus, or who has authentic information of any achievements of a Smith graduate, is urged to send it in by the first of each month to the Editor-in-Chief.

All undergraduates are urged to contribute more articles of literary value.

To the editors of other student publications: we are asking that you co-operate with us by establishing an exchange.

In conclusion, we beg the good will of all who by any chance may peruse "The University Student."

THE REASONS.

It would not be expedient, neither would it be just nor in keeping with the liberal and democratic policy of "The Student" to issue the first edition of the present term without mention of a group, though insignificant, important; though frivolous, profound; though abused, appreciated—the Class of '32.

It is consuetudinary that you be made the butt of ridicule and be coerced into wearing green caps by the Sophomores; that you be high-hatted and seemingly ignored by the upper class men; that you be constantly called morons by your instructors; yet none of these reactions are symbolic of hatred, tyranny, snobbery, selfishness or intolerance, but the antithesis. They are indicative of love, democracy, altruism and tolerance.

It was only yesterday, as it were, that you were seniors, kings of the forests, persons to be emulated at your respective secondary schools. We deem it our responsibility to puncture carefully this inflated ego and have you realize that you are only novices; that you are just now entering your pupa stage, but with constant application, in the lapse of four years, you will metamorphize from this pupa state into a beautiful butterfly of culture and intellect.

In matriculating at Johnson C. Smith University, you have come by a great heritage which should make you proud and justly so. In those same seats in chapel whose numbers you are now required to cover daily, once sat the illustrious gentlemen, George Allen, W. Astor Morgan, the Downing Brothers and F. J. Anderson, an erudite scholar, a teacher par excellent whose copious knowledge of Philosophy and Pedagogy, always stressing creative individual and independent thought, was a beacon light to no small number of Smith graduates.

Who doubts that there may not come from the Class of '32 a noted musician and composer, an outstanding poet, a famous physician or a prominent educator? Who knows what qualities are latent within you? I would not dare estimate your potentialities.

Hence it is due to the above mentioned facts that you are held in so high esteem and great admiration by us all that we are so painstakingly endeavoring to orientate you in this magnificent collegiate environment. Therefore you must first be made to realize how infinitesimally small you are intellectually before you can acquire knowledge. Then, in the ultimate analysis, though insignificant, you are an important and indispensable factor in the existence of our beloved University.

Finally as advice we give to you these words:

"Be strong—we are not here to play, to dream, to drift;

We have hard work to do,
And loads to lift.

Shun not the struggle,
Face it, 'tis God's gift."

THE GOODFELLOW'S QUARTETTE RETURNS.

Delights a Large Audience in Program of Classic Music.

The Goodfellows' Quartette made a triumphant return to Johnson C. Smith University on the evening of October 17 before an appreciative audience in Biddle Memorial Hall. Despite the large number of concerts and radio performances given in and around Charlotte, a large audience found delight in the extraordinary perfection of balanced tone and musical understanding which the quartette brings to every performance.

The program included many numbers which found a hearty response from the audience. "Thank God for a Garden," "The Old Road," "Carmena," "Bondage," "Il est doux, il est bon," "La donna e mobile," and the famous sextette from "Lucia" elicited long and enthusiastic applause from an appreciative audience.

ALUMNI NEWS

By Pactolus

Many our recent graduates, seeking higher degrees and the professions, have entered school this fall. H. L. Tolbert, G. R. Dockery, and J. Davis Douglass are in Meharry Medical School. L. A. Jenkins, H. E. Williams, J. M. Alston and F. M. Beaver are studying at Johnson C. Smith Theological School. Leroy Young and T. L. Plair are at New York University, and W. A. Perry, W. E. Belton and W. W. Jones, of the same class, are attending Iowa University. To all of these young men we wish abundant success and a pleasant experience.

It is exceedingly gratifying to all the friends of Brainerd Institute to know that the good work long carried on there is being continued under the management of Dr. J. D. Martin who recently assumed the control of that school. Dr. Martin is a practical school man and as such is highly capable of performing the duties devolving upon him as its head.

In New York, Washington, Chicago, Knoxville and several other centers there have been organized local chapters of our Alumni. These branches are alive to the best interest of their dear Alma Mater and can do and are doing much to foster its progress. As yet there is no local chapter in this city (Charlotte, N. C.); but often it is right beneath the lighthouse where you will find the greatest darkness.

Professor J. Ward Seabrook, the announcement of whose marriage has just appeared, certainly pays the Old Dominion a high compliment, especially that section near Petersburg; for he goes right back there to get wife number two. But if she is as lovable a character as the first Mrs. Seabrook we cannot blame him much. We learn that she has degrees from Howard and Harvard, and if so she ought to be able to keep track of that versatile gentleman.

With deep sorrow do we refer to the passing of our old friend and schoolmate, the Rev. D. S. Collier, of Gaffney, S. C. He was a man of sterling worth, being a gospel preacher and every inch a loyal son to his Alma Mater.

Robert N. Owens who graduated some fifteen years ago, is a successful attorney in St. Louis. We often note in the press where he is connected with some important cases in the courts. Some one said Owens won the Junior medal by crying. He may be working that same trick on those Western juries now.

While circulating among the elders at Presbytery a few days ago we got on to the formula for preaching a good sermon. One good old brother said a preacher had no business to take a manuscript into the pulpit, nor even to look into the Bible after he has announced his text. But he should begin low and go slow, rise higher as he catches on fire, then begin to perform and sit down in a storm.

One of the best looking men of the class of 1904 was Mr. I. P. Pogue, now Rev. Dr. Pogue. His record as pastor and educator has been such that our Board in Pittsburgh felt justified in selecting him from among many to take charge of our work in Sumter. We think the selection a fortunate one and we predict an unusual growth of that field under his ministrations.

Student in Psychology: "Professor, yesterday as I entered the dining room I detected the familiar odor of chicken and concluded we had chicken for dinner. Was that a concept or percept?"

Professor: "Neither; that was a hallucination."

ALPHA PHI ALPHA FRATERNITY

By Henri Louis Marshall, '29.

Lazily the rustic oak scattered its rubric foliage upon the September earth; calmly it fell as a breeze that comes from a nearby lake in the mid-day sunshine; and radiantly the setting sun cast its dim, religious, and reverential light upon Alpha Omicron as it assembled within that ancient piece of masonry which towers above the tufted trees.

Melancholy cast its phantom-like shadow upon eight empty seats. They were the seats of Bros. Leroy Young, T. E. Gilliard, T. L. Plair, G. R. Dockery, W. E. Belton, W. W. Jones, W. J. Knox, Jr., and E. L. James. We cherish these names and may they be everlastingly ringing in our ears.

Bros. Leroy Young and T. L. Plair are at New York University working for the degree of M. B. A. Bros. W. W. Jones and W. E. Belton have entered the graduate school of the University of Iowa. Both are working for their master's degree in chemistry. Bro. G. R. Dockery has entered dentistry at Meharry. Bro. W. J. Knox, who was head of the chemistry department for two years and instructor for one, is doing graduate work at Massachusetts School of Technology.

Bro. E. E. Gregg is back with us again. We welcome him and may his good works be as a gem among many pebbles.

Bros. Samuel Johnson and H. L. Tolbert were recent visitors on our campus. They were enroute to enter Meharry Medical School. We are always delighted to have our separated brothers visit us.

Every man is out for a hard and prosperous year. Many things shall be revealed; therefore, watch us.

ALPHA EPSILON CHAPTER, KAPPA ALPHA PSI

By E. Morris Pressley, Reporter.

After having spent a very pleasant summer, Alpha-Epsilon chapter has once more settled down to hard work and resolved to make this a banner year for Kappa Alpha Psi. We extend our best wishes for a successful year to each organization on the hill.

All of the brothers are back this year except W. A. Perry, who is now doing his graduate work in Education in the University of Iowa.

The Chapter is especially proud of the fact that Brother T. S. Jackson, head of the Department of Education in the University, has recently received his M. A. degree in Philosophy from the University of Chicago.

Alpha Epsilon is now making plans for its fall initiation. It has been quoted that "The races of mankind would perish did they not help each other." Nevertheless we speak of independence, of self-reliance, of our accomplishments without aid, of our courage, fortitude and strength. These are only relative terms. There is no independence. A man is brave as he walks alone down the dark avenue because other men have built the dike strong enough to hold back the angry ocean; because other men are on the watch lest the enemy sneak through the gates; because other men sleep beside their engines of protection, waiting to answer the alarm of fire. A man is brave because within the sound of his voice a hundred other men are there to respond should he utter one cry for aid.

We need men beside us to keep us brave. We need visible signs of support to keep our courage from failing us. When man was single handed, alone and independent, he was a savage. With dependence came progress; with progress came unity; with unity came fraternity; and when fraternity dawned there was hope for the race of mankind. So let us perpetuate this great plan of ours so that the great brotherhood shall not perish.